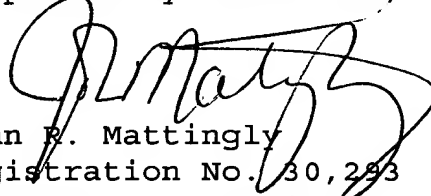


REMARKS

Claim 21 has been amended. Claims 12-28 are pending.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks,  
reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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